From:

Kyle de Beausset <kyledeb@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 2:15 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Angie Lake: I'm writing to state my opposition to bills HB4150 and 4334

Dear Angie Lake,

As Clerk of the Local Government committee, and as a longtime resident of Grosse Ile, MI, I wanted to register my opposition to bills HB4150 and 4334. They send the exact opposite message that Michigan should be sending at a time when we need more people and energy to come here in order for our state to thrive.

What's more, I think these bills will make our state less safe by discouraging cooperation with law enforcement, and overburdening our local police officers with even more regulations and red tape that they have to worry about in the performance of their duties. I urge in the strongest possible terms for lawmakers to reject these measures, and to stop wasting the people's time and money blaming immigrants for the many problems we should be working on.

Sincerely, Kyle de Beausset

21719 W River Rd Grosse Ile, MI 48138 734-676-7067

From:

Sherry Opalka <slozoo@charter.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 2:09 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and HB 4334

Please record my opposition to both of these bills. I am a resident of Michigan, living currently at 1309 Howard Street in Kalamazoo.

I am strongly opposed to any action at the State level which would require local communities to participate in immigration enforcement as that participation would compromise the positive relationships that law enforcement needs with the community. I am urging the committee to with these bills from any consideration by the legislature.

Thank you,

Sherry Opalka ph: (269) 303-1711

From:

Robtweir@aol.com

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:02 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

I oppose HB 4105 and HB 4334

Ms. Lake,

Providing sanctuary to the "tired, poor and huddled masses" of the world is the <u>true</u> American way. I assert that those who support House Bill 4105 and House Bill 4334, which would take away cities' and counties' privilege to be sanctuary places are un-American.

Please forward this information to the legislators who will be voting on these house bills. Thank you.

Robert Weir 715 Regency Square #102 Kalamazoo, MI 49008

From:

Colette Wismer <colette.wismer@me.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 10:28 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB4105 and 4334

Dear Committee Clerk Angie Lake,

It is very important for our cities, communities and state that we do NOT enact HB4105 and 4334. These bills are detrimental to the very spirit of our democracy, hurt our economies and farmers and are discriminatory. It is horrible to think that our state does not provide a welcoming place where all people can live and thrive.

I would like it on record that I think these bills are bad for our state and ultimately our country.

Thank you.

Colette M. Wismer 1624 Lakeshore Drive St. Joseph, MI 49085

From:

NANETTE NOORBAKHSH <nnoorbakhsh@wowway.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 9:43 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Fwd: Please vote NO on HB 4105 and 4334

Dear Ms. Lake,

Rep. Kevin Hertel asked that I forward my correspondences related to HB 4105 and 4334 to you, as clerk for the Committee on Local Government, so that it can be included in the public record of opposition to these discriminatory bills.

Sincerely,

Nanette Noorbakhsh

From: nnoorbakhsh@wowway.com

To: Rep. Kevin Hertel (KevinHertel@house.mi.gov)

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017

Subject: Please vote NO on HB 4105 and 4334

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can fell safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe. That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement. Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

As my Representative in Lansing, I have instilled my trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely, Nanette Noorbakhsh 30600 Greater Mack Ave. St. Clair Shores, MI 48082

From: STACEY Reynolds <BACK2STACEY@msn.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 9:09 PM

To: Angie Lake

Subject: HB4150 and 4334

Ms. Lake,

I wanted to express to you my opposition on HB4150 and 4334.

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

This legislation will effectively strip local governments and law enforcement of their ability to determine and enforce policies and practices that are most effective for ensure the public safety of their entire community.

I am also concerned that this legislation runs counter to our fundamental values of fairness by compelling police to unfairly profile people based on race, ethnicity and appearance.

Please oppose HB 4015 and HB 4334, as it is discriminatory and would deeply damage relations between police and our communities.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement.

Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

As my Representative in Lansing, I have instilled my trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Stacey Reynolds New Boston, MI 7349251498

From:

MJackson < marion.jackson@fulbrightmail.org >

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 8:23 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Statement of Opposition to HB 4105 and 4334

TO:

Angie Lake, Clerk, Committee on Local Government

RE:

Statement of Opposition to HB 4105 and 4334

Will you please state in the public record that I oppose the Anti-Santuary Bills (HB 4105 and 4334) proposed for consideration in the Michigan House.

Michigan's long history of welcoming immigrants and benefiting from their economic and cultural contributions to our state should be encouraged and nourished in all ways possible -- and not discouraged and treated as if a burden to those of us whose forefathers happened to settle here at an earlier date.

Please put me on recored as strongly opposed to HB 4105 and 4334.

Thank you,

Marion E. Jackson 1336 Nicolet Place Detroit, MI 48207

Email: mjackson@wayne.edu

Cel: 313-405-6443

From:

Steve Beck <beck@netonecom.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 6:10 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and HB 4334

These bills are un-American and a dangerous and very aggressive reaction by the legislature to local authority.

Please include my message in the official public record.

Thank you.

Steven Beck 3319 Scenic Dr Muskegon, MI 49445

231-766-2517

From:

Kate Flores <kflores4bc@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 11:15 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Fwd: Opposition to HB4105 & HB4334 - Written testimony

Dear Ms. Lake,

If possible to include the below letter as written testimony for the upcoming hearing, I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you, Kate Flores

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Kate Flores < kflores4bc@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Jun 7, 2017 at 11:12 AM

Subject: Opposition to HB4105 & HB4334

To: jameslower@house.mi.gov, kathycrawford@house.mi.gov, jimrunestad@house.mi.gov, garyhowell@house.mi.gov, juliealexander@house.mi.gov, benfrederick@house.mi.gov, rogerhauck@house.mi.gov, patrickgreen@house.mi.gov, jeremymoss@house.mi.gov,

jimellison@house.mi.gov, terrysabo@house.mi.gov Cc: sminnick@mml.org, chackbarth@mml.org

Dear House Committee on Local Government,

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I am a City Commissioner in Battle Creek and write in strong opposition to HB 4105 and HB 4334. These issues are best controlled by local governments. The proposed bills would place tremendous burdens on local government and improportion and also negatively impact our ability to build trust with our local community and engage in be

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he best interest of the city I represent, nor of other

Sincerely,

Kate Flor

Kate Flores
Battle Creek City Commissioner, Ward 3
269-832-2912
kflores4bc@gmail.com

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Kate Flores
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From:

Danielle Aubert <danielleaubert@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 11:55 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Oppose HB 4105 and HB 4334

Dear Angie Lake,

I am a resident of Detroit. Please put in the public record that I oppose anti-santuary House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Thank you, Danielle Aubert

From:

Theresa Donaghy <theresadonaghy@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 10:24 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Letter of Opposition To HBs 4105 and 4334

Hello -

I am writing to oppose House Bills 4105 and 4334. These bills would discourage the reporting of crime and the appearance of witnesses in court who might fear deportation as a result.

Thank you, Theresa Donaghy 30346 78th Avenue Lawton, MI 49065

Representative: Tonya Schuitmaker

From:

Nick Seewald < nseewald 1@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 10:33 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Letter of Opposition to HB 4105 and HB 4334

Ms. Lake,

I am a resident of Clinton Township writing in opposition to HB 4105 and HB 4334. This legislation purports to enhance the safety of Michiganders by not allowing municipalities to interfere with law enforcement's ability to cooperate with federal officials with regard to an individual's immigration status. However, it will have the opposite effect. Immigrants to the United States commit fewer crimes than native-born Americans (see, e.g., the *New York Times*, "Contrary to Trump's Claims, Immigrants Are Less Likely to Commit Crimes", Jan 26, 2017). The proposed legislation will have a chilling effect on crime reporting among individuals who may be afraid of detainment or deportation. Almost every day, I hear chilling stories of people being detained by ICE, like the woman arrested in a courthouse after reporting she was a victim of domestic violence. More recently, in Ann Arbor, employees of the restaurant Sava's were arrested after ICE officials finished their lunch there. This behavior is disruptive and cruel.

HB 4105 and HB 4334 will break the trust between law enforcement and the citizens it seeks to protect. If crimes are committed against undocumented persons, those crimes should not go unreported out of fear of deportation. These bills will undermine the safety of my community, and I wholeheartedly oppose them.

If you would, please enter these comments into the public record, and pass them along to the committee.

Thank you, Nick Seewald 43852 Columbia Dr., Clinton Twp., MI, 48038

From:

Will Fitzgerald <will.fitzgerald@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 9:42 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

William Fitzgerald 1219 Grand Avenue Kalamazoo, MI 49006-3264

June 7, 2017

The Honorable Angie Lake

Michigan House of Representatives 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Dear Representative Lake,

I strongly urge you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334, in order to continue Michigan's status as a welcoming place for immigrants (as my ancestors, and, likely, yours) were.

Best regards,

Will

Fitzgerald

From:

Ruth Cassidy <cassidy.ruth@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 9:12 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Testimony on HB 4105 & 4334

Please see my testimony, to be distributed to the members of the Local Government committee, below.

Thank you, Ruth Cassidy 2969 W Clark Rd Apt 303 Ypsilanti, MI 48197

To the members of the Michigan House Local Government Committee:

I request that you oppose HB 4105 and HB 4334. These bills would be harmful to our state and local communities.

There is no reliable way to tell who is an undocumented immigrant and who is not. So any local government official attempting to enforce immigration policy would end up relying on stereotypes of immigrants based on race and and class. This is not only not their job, but it goes against our values. I encourage you to oppose these bills.

Sincerely, Ruth Cassidy

From:

Jessica Prozinski <jessica.prozinski@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 11:01 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

opposition to 4105

My name is Jessica Prozinski. I'm from Ann Arbor which has recently passed legislation instructing city employees, including the police, not to ask about immigration status during routine activities and leaving enforcement of federal immigration policy to the federal government.

I'm from Washtenaw County which has passed resolutions supporting immigrants and has dedicated money to helping immigrants facing deportation.

Ann Arbor is the nightmare you are trying to prevent with this bill.

Immigrants are being scapegoated for crime and unemployment.

Instead of jumping on the bandwagon of racist hysteria and immigrant bashing, you should be doing real things to improve our lives like improving healthcare and creating jobs.

It is a lie that persecuting undocumented people is going to make our country safer or make anyone's life better. The truth is that immigrants have a lower level of incarceration than American born citizens.

The people who are being targeted by ICE now have been here for decades, have American born children, have jobs, and in some cases have started businesses which employed others.

All this bill would do is destroy families, hurt American-born children who are having their parents taken away, and hurt our state as a whole which is stronger for the contributions of immigrants.

This bill would set police against the communities they work in, and not just undocumented people, but all those who support their undocumented family, friends and neighbors.
This bill would force local governments to do the job of the federal governmentenforcing federal immigration law.

Local governments must be able to have the independence and the agency to choose their own path on this issue.

This bill would add tremendously to the increasing polarization of our society.

A shockingly large number of people in this country see the president as being illegitimate.

That is a dangerous place for a society to be in.

This bill would place Michigan far to the right of the Trump Administration.

This is not the road Michigan should be headed down.

I call on you to abandon this racist bill.

Jessica Prozinsk

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Jessica Prozinski

jessica.prozinski@gmail.com

Pronouns: She/her

From:

Alice Elliott <aliceell@umich.edu>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:48 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Oppose HB 4105/4334

To the Committee Clerk:

I am submitting written testimony for House Bills 4105 and 4334. Please include this in the public record (quoted text only). I am a registered voter who lives at 2011 Medford Rd #258, Ann Arbor, MI, 48104. Thank you.

"To Representative Lower, Representative Crawford, and the members of the Lower Government Committee:

I cannot impress upon you enough the impression that these bills will leave on our community. I come to you having organized with farmworkers of Florida, where migrant workers-- many of whom are undocumented-face slave-like conditions in the fields where they pick our tomatoes. The same is true for Michigan. Not only for tomatoes, but cherries, apples, mushrooms, and more. If these bills pass, how would they be able to report when their employers house them in shacks without running water, steal their wages, or sexually assault them? According to the Michigan Civil Rights Commission, who conducted an investigation in 2010, all of these crimes-- and more-- have repeatedly occurred to farmworkers across Michigan, and undocumented workers-unsurprisingly-- face particular discrimination.

I have seen the fear in the faces of children of immigrants in Washtenaw County when I tutor them at a local nonprofit. I have swallowed my fear for them and forced my voice to be happy, to be cheerful. Because they have no way to fight this terrifying, impossible system that is the path to citizenship for undocumented residents, and my fear will not help them.

And honestly, I could ignore all of this. That is the privilege of my passport, my social security card, and ultimately, my skin color. Most of us in this room, and most of you in the committee could easily turn a blind eye to these bills, this discrimination and abuse, and we would never be harmed, because the system currently favors us. And these bills would only increase our status in the world. Many have cited the additional workload and cost for local police, and the trust that will be broken between police and the community. These are extremely good points that I encourage you all to take to heart. But I urge the committee to think about whether the content of these bills is truly the mark they want to leave on humanity during their tenure in the House.

Thank you."

-Alice

Alice Effort
MS Candidate, 2018
University of Michigan School of Natural Resources and Environment
Environmental Science Intern, Michigan Tech Research Institute
aliceell@umich.edu | LinkedIn Profile | she/her/hers

From:

Anne Gere <argere@umich.edu>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:45 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105

I write to register my opposition to this bill because it constitutes an unfunded mandate for Michigan's municipalities by requiring local law enforcement to undertake the work of a federal agency.

Please give a copy of this email to every member of your committee.

Thank you,

Anne Gere

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From:

Eric Van De Vort <sunsetroad@me.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:43 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Sanctuary City Prohibition Act

I am against any actions that would counter the idea of Sanctuary Cities in Michigan, specifically House Bill 4105--the Sanctuary City Prohibition Act.

Sincerely,

Eric Van De Vort 712 Sunset Road Ann Arbor, MI 48103 7348839490

From:

Saleem Siddiqi <saleemsiddiqi@comcast.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:29 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334

Dear Ms. Lake,

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe. Also, this legislation is problematic on so many levels giving authority to municipal authorities to question people about their immigration status and allowing questioning on immigration even without an individual being in police custody.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement.

Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Saleem R. Siddiqi Lathrup Village resident



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From:

Austen Campbell-Fox <acampbellfox@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:16 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

sanctuary policy prohibition act

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you today about proposed legislation to attack so called "sanctuary cities". This disgusting piece of legislation would hurt communities in Michigan by encouraging racial profiling (Rep. Hornberger claims otherwise, but has not presented any credible argument to suggest it will not, and the evidence of impact from similar legislation is quite clear), enabling massive numbers of frivolous lawsuits, and attempting bonds of community by encouraging people to be suspicious of their neighbors. All of this to "solve" a problem that is not really a problem at all; immigrants, even undocumented immigrants, are human beings and should be treated with respect and dignity on that basis alone, but since treating fellow human beings with basic decency doesn't seem to be a sufficient argument in Lansing these days, it might also be noted that immigrants make important contributions to our economy and commit crimes at a lower rate than U.S. citizens.

Ultimately, if illegal immigrants were the problem right wing politicians like to claim, the type of policies that this legislation targets are those enacted by cities to protect immigrants, and people who might be believed to be immigrants, within the city. With all due respect, if you pause to consider, you will see that if immigrants really were the type of problem Rep. Hornberger and her ilk claim, than "sanctuary cities" would never exist in the first place. The people of these cities choose to enact these policies because they see the value in treating all people, regardless of ethnicity, country of origin, or legal status, as human beings. Even if the legislature cannot be persuaded that is the best way to treat all our fellow humans, it is my hope that the legislature can at least be persuaded that it is absurd to think they know better than the people living and working with these immigrants what laws are best for the treatment of them in their community.

Sincerely,

Austen C. Detroit, MI

From:

Don Bisdorf < dbisdorf@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 9:43 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Opposing HB4105

Ms. Lake,

As a Michigan voter, I would like to officially register my opposition to HB 4105. I want my local police and civic authorities to represent my values and the values of my community, and I want to preserve the right of my community to decide how we will treat our neighbors and residents.

Regards, Don Bisdorf 3670 Eli Road Ann Arbor, MI 48104

From:

Lisa Borgsdorf < lisaiherbert@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 9:34 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Oppose HB 4105 and 4334

Dear Ms Lake,

I am writing to register my opposition to HB 4105 and 4334.

Thank you,

Lisa Borgsdorf

Lisa Borgsdorf 602 W Summit Street Ann Arbor, MI 48103-3135

June 6, 2017

The Honorable Adam Zemke Michigan House of Representatives 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Representative Zemke:

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement.

Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

As my Representative in Lansing, I have instilled my trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Lisa Borgsdorf

From:

Williams <mehwilliams@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 9:09 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Vote NO on Anti-Welcoming City Bill

Angie Lake, Clerk of Local Government Committee

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. I understand that this legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

This is why I am urging you to vote NO on House Bill 4334.

This legislation will effectively strip local governments and law enforcement of their ability to determine and enforce policies and practices that are most effective for public safety of their community.

I am also concerned that this legislation runs counter to our fundamental American values of fairness by compelling police to unfairly profile people based on race, ethnicity and appearance.

Please oppose HB 4334, as it is discriminatory and would deeply damage relations between police and their communities.

Thank you for the work you do for the best interests of our country, state, and communities.

Marilyn Williams 23602 Westwood Brownstown Township, MI 48183

From: Aaron Lotvola <frezzyfire222@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 8:43 PM

To: Angie Lake

Subject: Do NOT endorse a deportation push.

I would like to submit a comment on HBs 4105 and 4334. I am firmly opposed to both these bills, which interfere with local government's ability to determine the measures appropriate to local communities, and require communities to collaborate with the denial of basic human rights and dignity in the name of outdated and maladapted immigration laws.

Immigrant communities are a reality in our state, and reflect the need for people to fill the roles that they do fill. If the market did not need them they would not be here, and yet for years we have refused to enact policies that will allow them to fully integrate into our communities.

Measures that tear apart families and leave employers and businesses struggling to find workers are supported only by a minority, even less so when people see the brutal and dehumanising methods used by federal agents. Communities, towns and counties should retain the right to serve all their residents. If law enforcement is required to add immigration control to its already overstretched mandate, we will have no resources to deal with real crime.

Several agricultural states have already experienced the economic disaster brought by a ruthless tightening against immigrants; Michigan should not take chances on our economic well-being by collaborating with the removal of many productive, and usually tax-paying, residents.

From:

Dave Gitterman <dgitterman@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 8:19 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HBs 4105 and 4334

Ms. Lake:

For the record, I have sent the following note to my representative, Adam Zemke, in opposition to HBs 4105 and 4334:

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

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Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

And, may I add, that no one in a free country should be afraid to go out in public for fear of being detained.

Thank you, David Gitterman 3506 Maple Drive Ypsilanti, MI 48197-3785

From:

Bonnie VanKeersbilck <vankeersb@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 8:09 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

House Bills 4105 & 4334

Dear Angie Lake,

I would like it entered into the record that I oppose House Bills 4105 and 4334.

I believe these are noxious bills that not only outlaw Sanctuary Cites and Sanctuary Counties but encourage racial profiling which will lead to harassment of people of color in our communities. This is a disheartening, backwards and dangerous path to go down and it is absolutely not useful at this time when racist rhetoric and bullying is seeing an alarming rise in our country in a way that sickens me and should sicken you.

It should not be the job of the police to harass citizens which is part of why I think that these bills are most likely not legal and I do believe we will be sued. These are exactly the sort of issues the ACLU likes to pursue. I do not think you should open our cities, and even individual officers of the law, up to dangers of lawsuits or threaten them with fines or withholding sorely needed funds.

Please rethink this. I have spoken with a couple of police chiefs and so have other people I know. The police are compliant with Federal law, but they do not want to be ICE agents also. Just as you wouldn't want to be expected to represent your district and sit on the city council. The police have enough on their plates.

Thank you, Bonnie VanKeersbilck 420 Hawthorn Ave. Royal Oak, MI 48067

From:

Frances StJames <f_stjames@comcast.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 7:51 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB4150 and 4334

Please oppose these bills that are not what our state should be about. I also find it too be very divisive and discriminatory and really resent that my tax dollars are spent on this. Frances M StJames 28241 Relda Dr Brownstown Twp MI 48183 734 301 6222

From:

sbphotography89@gmail.com

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 7:44 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Message to the committee on bills 4616, 4105, 4334

Regarding the bills: 4616, 4105, and 4334 - Local police authorities, such as those in St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, are already over-taxed dealing with current crime prevention, arrests and investigation responsibilities. Adding the significant additional administrative burdens that would be imposed by HB4105 and HB4334 -- not to mention defending against frivolous lawsuits that would be encouraged by the "private attorneys general" provision -- causes grave concerns about the scope and impact of this proposed legislation on the resources and priorities of their departments. As a citizen of Michigan, I am concerned with the the over-zealous and unrestrained enforcement priorities of the current federal administration on the stability and well-being of hard-working immigrant families upon which Berrien County's economy depends. Adopting these narrow-sighted and mean-spirited policies at the state level will only create a poor relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve. I urge you not to pass these bills which will certainly cause far more harm than good.

*please forward to members of the committee *

Thank You Stephanie Blommel Stevensville, MI

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Shelley Schanfield <seschanfield@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 7, 2017 12:35 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HBS 4105 And 4334

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Shelley Schanfield 5201 Birkdale Drive Ann Arbor, MI 48103

From:

Patty <fireefly@aol.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 5:42 PM

To: Subject: Angie Lake
Deportation Bills

Dear Angie

I would like to submit a comment on HBs 4105 and 4334. I am firmly opposed to both these bills, which interfere with local government's ability to determine the measures appropriate to local communities, and require communities to collaborate with the denial of basic human rights and dignity in the name of outdated and maladapted immigration laws.

Immigrant communities are a reality in our state, and reflect the need for people to fill the roles that they do fill. If the market did not need them they would not be here, and yet for years we have refused to enact policies that will allow them to fully integrate into our communities.

Measures that tear apart families and leave employers and businesses struggling to find workers are supported only by a minority, even less so when people see the brutal and dehumanising methods used by federal agents. Communities, towns and counties should retain the right to serve all their residents. If law enforcement is required to add immigration control to its already overstretched mandate, we will have no resources to deal with real crime.

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Patricia Izzo

Sent from AOL Mobile Mail

From:

sbphotography89@gmail.com

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 6:07 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Regarding HB 4334, 4105, 4616

Regarding the bills: 4616, 4105, and 4334 - Local police authorities, such as those in St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, are already over-taxed dealing with current crime prevention, arrests and investigation responsibilities. Adding the significant additional administrative burdens that would be imposed by HB4105 and HB4334 -- not to mention defending against frivolous lawsuits that would be encouraged by the "private attorneys general" provision -- causes grave concerns about the scope and impact of this proposed legislation on the resources and priorities of their departments. As a citizen of Michigan, I am concerned with the the over-zealous and unrestrained enforcement priorities of the current federal administration on the stability and well-being of hard-working immigrant families upon which Berrien County's economy depends. Adopting these narrow-sighted and mean-spirited policies at the state level will only create a poor relationship between law enforcement and the communities they serve. I urge you not to pass these bills which will certainly cause far more harm than good.

Thank You Stephanie Blommel Stevensville, MI

Sent from my iPhone

From: Katie Reiter <katiereiter@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 4:10 PM

To: Angie Lake

Cc: Rep. Jeremy Moss (District 35)

Subject: House Bills 4105 and 4334

Local Government Committee Members,

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe. This could destroy community policing and make our cities actually more dangerous.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement. Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

Immigrants, in fact, enhance the safety and security of communities. As I am also a resident of Southfield I will quote from my own Representative, Jeromy Moss, "Oftentimes, immigration contributes to increased safety. According to a recent study by New American Economy, in nine of the ten US cities that accepted the most refugees in the last decade as a percentage of their population, crime decreased. My hometown of Southfield is among those top ten cities with 4,500 refugees (or 6% of our population) settling here in the last decade. During that period of resettlement, violent crime in Southfield decreased 77% and property crime decreased 46%. Southfield's immigrant population and I are living in a safer city."

Indeed, Southfield is wonderful example of the value immigrants bring to their new hometowns. We welcome them here and we now blessed to live in a secure, safe and wonderfully diverse city.

As our Representatives in Lansing, we Michiganders have instilled our trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Katie Reiter Southfield, MI 48076

From:

Tarianne DeYonker <tdeyonker@adriandominicans.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 4:18 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and 4334

Angie,

I would like it placed in the public record that I oppose HB 4105 and 4334. I have written also to my representative expressing this opinion.

Thank you,

Sr. Tarianne DeYonker, OP

Sent from my iPad

From:

Barbara Simpson <simpsonbs@sbcglobal.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 4:47 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Cc:

Kim.LaSata@house.mi.gov; Arthur Havlicek

Subject:

HB4105 and HB4334

Ms. Lake,

I am writing to express my opposition to HB4105 and HB4334, the so-called "anti-sanctuary" bills. I am submitting it as written testimony for the committee and would like copies printed for each committee member. I am also copying my representative, Kim LaSata.

Research shows that communities that have welcoming rather than restrictive policies regarding undocumented residents have lower crime rate and that the economy is better. I live in St. Joseph, near the agricultural areas that rely on seasonal labor to plant and harvest the crops that support our economy. Many people declined to travel to SW Michigan this year, and others live in fear that ICE will come knocking at their door or will pick them up at their children's school or at other locations. Anti-sanctuary policies also make the job of law enforcement harder, not easier. Domestic abuse is a daily challenge, and immigrant victims of domestic violence are often hesitant to seek police protection. Police forces are often operating with low budgets and too-small staffs. It is unfair to them, and to all of us, to ask them to also act as agents of ICE, when the safety needs of our communities far outweigh the risk to our citizens from those who may be living here without official documentation.

I ask that the Committee withdraw HB4104 and 4334 from consideration.

Thank you.

Barbara Simpson 1304 Wolcott Avenue St. Joseph, MI 49085

From:

Thi <thitdnguyen@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 4:55 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and 4334

To Ms. Angie Lake

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That is why I am urging our Michigan representatives to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

This legislation will effectively strip local governments and law enforcement of their ability to determine and enforce policies and practices that are most effective to ensure the public safety of their entire community.

I am also concerned that this legislation runs counter to our fundamental values of fairness by compelling police to unfairly profile people based on race, ethnicity and appearance. Diversity is our strength.

Please oppose HB 4105 and HB 4334, as it is discriminatory and would deeply damage relations between police and our communities. These laws would create distrust in law enforcement officers. Effective communication will be more difficult to achieve between law enforcement and all of our various Michigan communities.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement.

Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

I want our Michigan representatives to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Thi Nguyen Brownstown, Michigan 7349348504

From:

Michael and Kristen <mkpollocks@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 5:00 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

written testimony for Committee on Local Government

Dear Angie,

I would like to submit this as written testimony for the House Committee on Local Government for the hearing tomorrow regarding bills HB 4105 and 4334, and would ask that you make printed copies for each committee member. Thank you!

Dear Committee Members,

As a citizen of Michigan and Muskegon County, I would like to add my voice--and the following information-for your consideration as you make important decisions regarding the proposed anti-Sanctuary bills circulating in the legislature.

First of all, I want to say that my views regarding immigrants are informed by the fact that, like most of you, my ancestors were immigrants to North America; also, I lived with my family in Asia for 9 years and was so warmly welcomed there in spite of the differences of our governments: I can only hope that I can extend the same welcome to others. Perhaps most importantly, my beliefs about welcoming the stranger are informed by my faith in a God who asks us to welcome the stranger (often translated "practice hospitality") regardless of race, gender or religion.

Secondly, I'd like to encourage you to look beyond partisan politics (which seems increasingly difficult these days) to the fact that immigration is an ISSUE, but immigrants are PEOPLE. Immigrants are no different than you and I, but immigrants are human beings who have made the difficult decision to relocate in order to make a better life for themselves and often for their children. I think so many times all we have to do is ask: If that were me, what would I do? How would I want other people to treat me? And to be frank, they are not to be blamed for the "mixed message" the receive at our border: "KEEP OUT" next to "WE"RE HIRING".

I believe there is strong economic sense in continuing to welcome immigrants (including refugees) based on the raw facts that our economy would suffer greatly by keeping them out; more importantly, I believe there are *human* reasons for giving people an opportunity to enter WITH INSPECTION (ie: legally) whether it be to look for work or to reunite with family. That is why I believe Comprehensive Immigration Reform on a federal level is necessary and long-overdue, and I will continue to do everything I can to encourage my representatives in Congress to summon the political will to pass such a law.

I believe Michigan has been in some ways welcoming, but in other ways harsh (for example, by not issuing state IDs or drivers licenses to all immigrants). I can't pretend to understand why so many farmers who depend on immigrant labor voted for the current President and his anti-immigrant policies. I believe it is at best a mixed message, and at worst great hypocrisy, to decry immigrants (based on incidences of crime, skin color, or lack of English) and yet to depend on them for the food we eat on both farms and in restaurants.

As a board member at our local ESL (English as a Second Language) non-profit, I see mothers and fathers working hard, raising their children, *and* making time to learn English....we've had 14 students study and pass the Citizenship test!. I see them afraid to attend certain kinds of events, and missing out on opportunities to be linked to resources that can help them better their lives because they don't want to give their information to the

state. I know for a fact that more crimes go unreported (which just increases the vulnerability of a vulnerable population) which results in less safe neighborhoods. I hear about arrests for minor traffic infractions that--let's be honest--you and I commit everyday (when was the last time you didn't make a full stop at a light, or didn't use your turn signal, or got pulled over for a broken taillight) that put their families and livelihoods in jeopardy. Can any of us even imagine what it would be like to live like this?

The federal government currently does not have the right to require local law enforcement to give them immigration status information, and I believe that is as it should be. The feds have plenty of ICE agents to do their jobs (and an increasingly militarized presence not just globally but here on our soil), and I believe these anti-sanctuary bills will put a large and increasing burden on local law enforcement, as well as creating even more difficult relationships between law enforcement and community members.

Our mayor Stephen Gawron was quoted as saying in an MLive interview last winter: ""The elements of welcoming and working together are the same elements my immigrant family experienced and I'm going to extend that same sense of welcome and collaboration and cooperation with our newcomers but I assure you when you come to Muskegon.....I'll always welcome you home."

I couldn't agree more.

Thank you,

Kristen Pollock Muskegon, MI

From:

Steven Nelson <stevenel@umich.edu>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 5:09 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105

Dear Ms. Lake,

I would like to note my strong opposition to the Sanctuary Policy Prohibition Act (HB 4105). It seems to be in stark contrast with Republicans' typical opposition to centralizing power, rather than leaving power to local governments where possible. If they vote this forward now, I can't help but think they're not so much opposed to centralized power (which is a valid concern) as they're opposed to any kind of power being held or enacted by political opponents.

Thank you for your time.

Steve

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Steven Nelson, MPH, MPP

From:

Lindsay McCracken <swlamccracken@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 5:27 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

House Bills 4105 and 4334

Ms.Lake,

I am deeply concerned with the House Bills 4105 and 4334 that will be heard by the Local Government Committee. These anti-sanctuary bills place tremendous burdens on local government to not only train officers in properly interpreting and enforcing immigration law and policy, but also in regards to reporting requirements. These bills are racial profiling. Communities that are non-compliant with these bills are threatened with removal of state funding.

It is a fact that immigrants commit crimes at a lower rate than the general population. These bills will further create divide between immigrants and local law enforcement. All of us, regardless of our immigration status, should be able to safely call 911 in cases of emergency, without fear of deportation.

I urge you to consider the extreme consequences these bills will have local communities across the state of Michigan. Please do not allow these xenophobic bills to move forward.

Lindsay McCracken, LLMSW

From: Sarah Nash <snash@ihmsisters.org>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:13 PM

Rep. James Lower (District 70); Rep. Kathy Crawford (District 38); Rep. Jim Runestad To:

> (District 44); Rep. Gary Howell (District 82); Rep. Julie Alexander (District 64); Rep. Ben. Frederick (District 85); Rep. Roger Hauck (District 99); Rep. Patrick Green (District 28);

> Rep. Jeremy Moss (District 35); Rep. Jim Ellison (District 26); Rep. Terry Sabo (District 92)

Cc: Angie Lake

Subject: Oppose HB 4105 and 4334

June 6, 2017

To the members of the Michigan House Committee on Local Government. Please accept this e-mail as written testimony for tomorrow's scheduled committee hearing on HB 4105 and 4334.

My name is Sarah Nash. I am the Coordinator of the Justice, Peace and Sustainability Office for the IHM Sisters in Monroe, Michigan. The IHM Sisters are a Catholic community of 313 vowed sisters and 121 associates. I urge you to oppose HB 4105 and 4334. These bills are based on inaccurate, incomplete and discriminatory beliefs about immigrants and will do nothing to make our communities safer. In fact, these bills jeopardize public safety and undermine community trust of the police. Immigrant community members will be more afraid to come to the police to report crime. People in need may be afraid to go to the police for help for fear of being detained or deported.

Additionally, many police departments simply don't have the capacity to handle immigration enforcement as well as enforcing the laws in the penal code. Given the ongoing heroin epidemic here in Monroe County and elsewhere in Michigan, I don't believe that policing immigration is the best use of local law enforcement energy and resources right now.

Please do not let this package of bills pass out of committee.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sarah Nash Coordinator, IHM Justice, Peace and Sustainability Office IHM Sisters - Monroe, Michigan Deep Faith. Courageous Spirit. Action for Justice

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From:

joseph schillmoeller <jcspmf74@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:10 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

House Bills 4105 and 4334

Please add to the public record my opposition to House Bills 4105 and 4334. Thank you.

Joseph Schillmoeller, 1334 Nicolet, Detroit, 48207

From:

MARYANNE ANSELMINO < manselmino@comcast.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:22 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

New Versions of HB4105 and 4334

Dear Ms. Lake:

I am a resident of Michigan and am strongly opposed to HB 4105 and 4334. Local law enforcement is currently overtaxed with issues in our communities without taking on the additional work of ICE concerns. I have shared my opposition to these bills with my representative, Kim LaSata and wanted to bring my concerns to you as well.

Sincerely,

Mary Anne Anselmino

1373 Cardinal Drive

St. Joseph, MI 49085

From:

Toby Ward <toby.a.ward1@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:31 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Fwd: Please vote NO on HB 4105 and 4334

Toby Ward 1440 Forbes St Kalamazoo, MI 49006-3119

June 6, 2017

The Honorable Jon Hoadley Michigan House of Representatives 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Representative Hoadley:

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement.

Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

As my Representative in Lansing, I have instilled my trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Toby Ward 2693533971

President Trump does not represent my values, ethics, or beliefs on what it is to be an American.	

From:

Richard Booth < richardthomasbooth@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:30 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Fw: Please Vote NO on Anti-Welcoming City Bills

Please enter my opposition into the committee record. Thank you.

From: Rep. Darrin Camilleri (District 23) < Darrin Camilleri@house.mi.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 5:19 PM To: richardthomasbooth@hotmail.com

Subject: RE: Please Vote NO on Anti-Welcoming City Bills

Hi Richard,

I wanted to follow up with you on this issue, as HB4150 and 4334 are on the agenda for the Local Government committee this week. I oppose the legislation for many of the reasons you outlined in your email, but I fear it will be an uphill climb in getting these bills stopped. That's why there is an effort to have folks send their letter or note of opposition to the Clerk of the Local Government committee, Angie Lake (alake@house.mi.gov). This will maximize the number of voices opposed to the legislation that are recorded into the official record for the committee's meeting. I'm not a member of that committee, but I still want to direct you to the place where your voice can be heard the most. Please feel free to follow up with me if you have any questions.

Best,

Darrin Camilleri State Representative--23rd District

----Original Message----

From: richardthomasbooth@hotmail.com [mailto:richardthomasbooth@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:34 PM

To: Rep. Darrin Camilleri (District 23) < DarrinCamilleri@house.mi.gov>

Subject: Please Vote NO on Anti-Welcoming City Bills

Richard Booth 26250 Dreschfield Grosse Ile, MI 48138-1601

May 24, 2017

The Honorable Darrin Camilleri Michigan House of Representatives 124 North Capitol Avenue Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Representative Camilleri:

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making

it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

This legislation will effectively strip local governments and law enforcement of their ability to determine and enforce policies and practices that are most effective for ensure the public safety of their entire community.

I am also concerned that this legislation runs counter to our fundamental values of fairness by compelling police to unfairly profile people based on race, ethnicity and appearance.

Please oppose HB 4015 and HB 4334, as it is discriminatory and would deeply damage relations between police and our communities.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement. Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement.

As my Representative in Lansing, I have instilled my trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Richard Booth 7348183355

From:

Julia Selig <juliaseligb@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:43 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Re: Opposition to the Sanctuary City Prohibition Act

Julia Selig from Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Please disregard previous signatures. Said organizations are not affiliated with this message

Julia Selig Beltré
Vice President of Marketing and Retention
Inter-Cooperative Council
vp.marketing@icc.coop

Student Life Officer
Washtenaw Community College
jseliq@wccnet.edu

On Tue, Jun 6, 2017 at 3:40 PM, Julia Selig < <u>juliaseligb@gmail.com</u>> wrote: Hello,

I am a constituent of Ann Arbor, Michigan and I am emailing to formally express my opposition to the Sanctuary City Prohibition Act. As the daughter of former immigrants and share my community with many hardworking immigrants I am repulsed by even the consideration of this Act. Those who are working hard to improved their lives along with their family and improve the community that surrounds them should not be detained or deported.

You are probably aware of the tricks and acts Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers are playing to innocent families. People who have not committed acts deserving of deportation are facing such future, families are stranded, and our communities are suffering. Stop the Sanctuary City Prohibition Act.

Thank you,

Julia Selig Beltré
Vice President of Marketing and Retention
Inter-Cooperative Council
vp.marketing@icc.coop

Student Life Officer Washtenaw Community College jseliq@wccnet.edu

From: Clara Lawrence <claralaw4peace@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:09 PM

To: Angie Lake

Subject: House Bill 4105 and 4334

Please put it on public record that I oppose these 2 bills!

In Peace, Clara Lawrence 20222 Sunset Livonia 48152

From:

Pauline Feltner <feltnerjcspmf74@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:06 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

House Bills 4105 and 4334

Please put in the public record that I am opposed to House Bills 4105 and 4334. Thanks.

Pauline Feltner 1334 Nicolet, Detroit, MI 48207

There is ecstasy in paying attention. Anne Lamott

From:

Jeanine Center < beadacious 18@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 1:56 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and 4334

I'm strongly opposed to House bills 4105 and 4334, First of all, I believe they represent a unwarranted state government infringement of the powers of local governments. These decisions should be left up to local governments and communities, not dictated from on high by the state.

Secondly, I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

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Jeanine Center 618 Northside Avenue Ann Arbor, MI 48105

From:

mikeandjoni@comcast.net

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 1:53 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

House bills 4105 and 4334

Dear Ms. Lake

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

That is why I am urging a NO vote on House bills 4105 and 4334.

This legislation will effectively strip local governments and law enforcement of their ability to determine and enforce policies and practices that are most effective for ensure the public safety of their entire community.

I am also concerned that this legislation runs counter to our fundamental values of fairness by compelling police to unfairly profile people based on race, ethnicity and appearance.

Please help in the opposition of HB 4105 and HB 4334, as it is discriminatory and would deeply damage relations between police and our communities.

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Sincerely,

Michael D Knight 734-747-4442

From:

jbkb@provide.net

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 1:49 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HBs 4105 and 4334

Dear Representative Lake:

As clerk of the local government committee, please add my opposition to House Bills 4105 and 4334 to the public record.

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

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Sincerely,

Kathy Barnett

2200 Placid Way

Ann Arbor MI 48105

(734) 994-8410

From:

Patrice Grant <astilbe531@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 1:24 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 & 4334

I want to express my objections to these bills. They add a burden to our overtaxed public safety officials and erode efforts by to keep everyone safe.

Patrice Grant 49085

Sent from my iPad

From: BRENDA ANDERSON < brendaanderson811@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 1:33 PM

To: Angie Lake

Subject: Written testimony for Local Government Committee Hearings on HB 4105 and HB4334

June 6, 2017

Angie Lake, Committee Clerk

Local Government Committee

Michigan House of Representatives

As a lifelong citizen and resident of Michigan, I am submitting this letter as written testimony for the Local Government Committee hearings on HB 4105 and HB 4334. I would like copies printed for each committee member.

I am opposed to HB 4105 and HB 4334 for the following reasons:

- 1. I believe it should be up to local citizens to decide local policing policies and how to keep their communities safe. Both my local City Council and County Board of Commissioners have passed "welcoming" legislation, which I fully support.
- 2. I believe the House Bills would encourage local police agencies to use racial and ethnic profiling, which would ultimately make our entire community less safe.
- 3. Moreover, this legislation would burden local government with additional costs, reporting requirements, and threats of penalties.
- 4. My community benefits economically and culturally by the presence of immigrants. These bills would discourage immigrants from living in our community to our detriment.

I urge you to vote against this damaging legislation!

Thank you for hearing my thoughts.

Brenda Anderson

811 Murray Court

Ann Arbor, MI 48103

brendaanderson811@comcast.net

From:

Betsy Lozoff <offb43@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 2:44 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

opposed to HB4105

Please print out this email for all members of the House Local Government Committee.

As a pediatrician and concerned citizen in SW Michigan, I am deeply opposed to HB4105 and 4334 and the concepts behind them. Such policies hurt children. Creating a climate of fear of deportation traumatizes children, Actual detention or deportation of a parent is even worse. I have seen this in person. I volunteer at a local school where a mother of 8 children, all US citizens, has been detained and faces deportation. Of the 4 school-aged children, the school has been so concerned about their mental health that 3 are now in treatment. The 6-year-old cries all the time at home and says she wants to die. More children should not suffer like this.

There are many problems that are high priority for local police attention. But an unfunded mandate to enforce ICE policies is not one of them. The economy of SW MIchigan depends on immigrants and migrant workers. We need them to trust the local police and feel safe in reporting domestic abuse or criminal activity. I urge our elected representatives to defeat these bills. Let local law enforcement do their job and keep us all safe.

Betsy Lozoff, M.D. St. Joseph, MI

From:

Janet Cannon < jtcancan@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 2:34 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105, HB 4334

I would like to submit a comment on HBs 4105 and 4334. I am firmly opposed to both these bills, which interfere with local government's ability to determine the measures appropriate to local communities, and require communities to collaborate with the denial of basic human rights and dignity in the name of outdated and maladapted immigration laws.

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Janet Cannon 1220 Pontiac Trail 48105 MI

From: Rene Lichtman <rlichtman@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 2:14 PM

To: Angie Lake; 'Rene Lichtman'; renelichtman@gmail.com

Subject: FW: Testifiying tomorrow Lansing 9am Sanctuary bills.

Dear Sir, Madam,

My name is Rene Lichtman. I live in West Bloomfield, MI.

I would like the opportunity to speak for a short time in opposition to HB 4105 and 4334 on June 7th.

My mother and father were immigrants from Poland to France before WWII. I was born in Paris in 1937. I am a child holocaust survivor, born 2 years before France was invaded. Most of my relatives were murdered, often picked up in "actions" in the streets or in their work places, or in the middle of the night, "deported" to the East.

Young Jews were picked up in raids in schools, orphanages, convents. The French police did all the rounding up of Jews and other foreigners. The French police were "deputized" by the occupying Germans to do this dirty work. The police provided the notorious "lists" of where Jewish families lived. Jews had no shelter, no safe place. What is occurring today is too familiar. We need safe places for our immigrant families. Please help stop HB 4105 and 4334.

Thank you for the consideration

Rene Lichtman West Bloomfield, MI 48322

Cell: 248-917-4114 Home: 248-932-1834

From:

Maryam Buageila <buggeila@umich.edu>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 2:08 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Please vote NO on HB 4105 and 4334

Maryam Buageila 2537 Sandalwood Cir Ann Arbor, MI 48105-1323

June 6, 2017

Angie Lake

Clerk, Local Government Committee

Local Government Committee:

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

That is why I am urging you to vote NO on House bills 4105 and 4334.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement.

Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement. When the police are involved in immigration matters, an essential line if communication and cooperation is lost.

As representative of our local governments, I have instilled my trust in you. I want you to work to ensure that every member of the community feels safe and valued. Please vote no on House Bills 4105 and 4334.

Sincerely,

Maryam Buageila

From:

Sharon Umlor <sharonumlor@grcc.edu>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 2:02 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Fwd: Opposition to Proposed Legislation: HB 4105 and 4334

Dear Ms. Lake,

As Clerk of the House Committee on Local Government, please note the letter of opposition below that I sent my district representative and all other members of the Committee. It is my sincere hope that HB 4105 and 4334 do not come to pass as they will damage the inclusive spirit Michigan must model.

Thank you, Sharon Umlor

>>> Sharon Umlor 06/06/17 1:30 PM >>> Sharon Umlor 2035 Diamond Ave. NE Grand Rapids, MI 49505

Representative Winnie Brinks Michigan House of Representatives Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Representative Brinks and Members of the House Committee on Local Government,

I'm writing to express my opposition to two bills introduced to the Michigan legislature that regard welcoming policies toward immigrants: HB 4105 and 4334. This proposed legislation is based upon inaccurate and discriminatory beliefs about immigrants living in our communities.

As an educator at Grand Rapids Community College Adult Education English Language Acquisition program, I work with immigrants every day fostering their confidence, English fluency, and employment knowledge for them to be successful in their lives at work, home, and the community. Many of them make great sacrifices to come to class in order to learn these valuable civic and academic skills.

HB 4105 and 4334 will be detrimental to our communities for the following reasons:

- The legislation jeopardizes public safety because immigrant community members will be fearful of coming forward to report crimes. There needs to be a high level of trust in local law enforcement in order for policing efforts to be efficient.
- The legislation pulls vested control away from local governments. Local governments should be able to adopt policies as they see fit to be welcoming to all members of the community.
- The legislation will spark endless litigation against local governments and officials, in turn bogging down the legal system.

These reactionary bills are another step in the direction of legislating fear. It is disappointing enough that some of our federal government leaders are breeding hate and fear of their unknowns; let's make sure our state is a strong voice and upstanding model of what actual communities are capable of. I am in support of awareness and inclusiveness.

Sincerely, Sharon Umlor

Sharon Umlor Lead Instructor Adult Education Program Grand Rapids Community College 616-234-2216 SharonUmlor@grcc.edu

From:

Amy Ferguson <a ferguson@fetzer.org>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 2:48 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

A voice against House bills 4105 and 4334

I am a citizen in Kalamazoo County who is writing to you, clerk of the House Committee on Local Government, to voice my opposition to House Bills 4105 & 4334.

I believe that everyone is safer when all members of our community, regardless of immigration status, can feel safe reporting crime to the police. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported, thus making it harder for police to do their jobs and making our communities less safe.

I ask that you allow our democracy to thrive by extending respect to local communities and citizens. Ask what they know and need and you will likely find they are doing, on their own, the job the community requires and one that meets a similar goal as you have...but in a different way. Trust. Ask questions.

Be kind. Create legislation (only when needed) that is compassionate and supports EVERYONE in maintaining safe and secure communities. It's likely we have the rules and laws we need already.

Everyone in Michigan deserves equal and fair treatment by law enforcement. Everyone in our state deserves to live free of racial and ethnic profiling. Our neighborhoods are safer and our police officers better equipped to do their jobs when everyone feels comfortable talking to law enforcement—this is also the prevailing opinion of law enforcement as I understand it.

Kind regards, Amy Ferguson

From:

suzbaker@twmi.rr.com

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 3:05 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

please add as testimony on House Bills 4105 and 4334

I am writing to express my objection to House Bills 4105 and 4334, the anti-sanctuary bills being considered in the Michigan legislature. These bills will NOT make our communities safer, and here is why:

- 1. Immigrant community members will be more afraid to come to police to report a crime such as domestic violence, sexual assault and robbery. People in need will be afraid to go to the police for help for fear of being detained or deported. This vastly undermines community-police trust. We have seen over the past few years how difficult it is for all when the police do not have the trust of the community.
- 2. Local law enforcement agencies have real crime issues to tackle in our communities with limited resources. These bills would put a bigger burden on police when they already do not have the resources they need. Have them spend their time fighting REAL crimes.

If you are truly interested in making our communities safer, this is NOT the way to do it.

In addition, I teach at Wayne State University, and many of my students are immigrants from other countries, or the children of immigrants. In case after case, they are some of my most hard working students, giving 100% of themselves in class, and making the classroom more lively and engaged. Our state would be poorer in so many ways if we did not have the immigrants and refugees who live here, and bills such as House Bills 4105 and 4334 will drive these positive additions to our community away.

Sincerely, Suzanne Baker 29724 Mark Lane Livonia, MI 48152 734-679-8294

From:

Michael Braun <mabraun46@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 11:11 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Cc:

Nancy Braun; offb43@gmail.com

Subject:

HB 4105 and 4334

My wife and I strongly oppose these bills for a variety of reasons, but critical to your committee's concerns are their effects on local police and the allocation of their resources. The bills would force local law enforcement to become an involuntary (and unpaid) auxiliary police force for ICE, on pain of suffering withdrawal of state grants and other funding, and on pain of subjecting them to private suit from any disgruntled citizen. Their resources are better used to promote enforcement of state and local laws, and community policing programs which make everyone safer. One of our biggest local crime problems is domestic violence, which would go unreported in the immigrant community if the police were de facto ICE agents. State laws should promote law enforcement, not undercut it.

Michael Braun mabraun46@gmail.com <mailto:mabraun46@gmail.com> PO Box 894 Coloma, MI 49038-0894 312-405-6781

From:

Mary Eldridge <maryaeldridge@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, May 24, 2017 1:02 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HR4105 and HR4334

Dear Clerk Angie Lake,

I want to go on record as forcefully opposing anti-immigrant bills HR4105 and HB4334, which are hateful and horribly sweeping. They would create powerful incentives for racial profiling. They would subject cities and counties to costly litigation from anti-immigrant individuals and groups. For the good of Michigan residents and our fine communities, I am urging our state legislators to stop these ugly bills in their tracks.

Thank you, Mary Eldridge 911 Patricia Ann Arbor MI. 48103 733-546-4334

From:

Jacqueline Vansant < jvansant@umich.edu>

Sent:

Wednesday, May 24, 2017 10:22 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

My Opposition to HB 4104 and HB 4334

I would like to register my strong opposition to HB 4104 and 4334!

Jacqueline Vansant

504 Snyder Ave.

Ann Arbor, 48103

From: rose@rememberrose.com

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 12:54 PM

To: Angie Lake

Subject: Please record voting request for ALL Local Government Committee members

Please ask them ALL to vote AGAINST: HB4105 and HB4334 due to vote tomorrow. Also ALL to vote AGAINST HB4015, still in committee.

Thank you for your assistance! Rose Marie Stevenson 813 Millbridge Ave. Holland MI 49423

From:

Sherrie Kossoudji <kossoudj@umich.edu>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 11:35 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

anti-sanctuary city bill

Dear Ms Lake,

I'm writing in opposition to HB 4105 or the "Sanctuary City Prohibition Act" introduced by Rep. Pamela Hornberger's (District 32). This bill will prohibit local municipalities from passing "welcoming cities" policies, allow police to legally profile those they believe to be in the country "illegally", and sanction cities that do not comply by eliminating revenue sharing.

Everyone's rights, including U.S. citizens, would be harmed by this legislation. This legislation invites police to treat people differently based on a police officer's ideas about whether someone is "foreign." We all have the right to equal policing -- regardless of an accent, a style of dress, our complexion, or the neighborhood we live in. And local governments shouldn't have to choose between meeting their budgets and upholding people's Constitutional rights.

This legislation would dismantle policies that have established trust between police and the community. We are all safer when all members of our community can come to police to report a crime, regardless of immigration status. This legislation would prevent victims or witnesses of a crime from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported. Police can't do their jobs if people fear talking to them.

This legislation will cost our state money. This legislation invites lawsuits, which would cost local governments tens of thousands of dollars for each lawsuit, waste their time, and wind them up in court. Jails will be forced to hold more people, and for longer periods of time, without reimbursement.

Congress cannot enforce its way out of our broken immigration system, and the "Sanctuary City Prohibition Act" is certainly not the solution. This short-sighted policy would rip apart millions of families who greatly bless our communities and nation. What we need is immigration reform that would place undocumented immigrants on a workable and earned path to citizenship, thereby allowing them to contribute even more to our communities, economy, and country.

My community welcomes immigrants. I urge you to support community policing policies that create safer communities and better trust between the immigrant community and local law enforcement.

Regards, Sherrie Kossoudji 1214 Red Oak Rd Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Sherrie A. Kossoudji Associate Professor, School of Social Work Adjunct Associate Professor, Dep't of Economics The University of Michigan

From:

melkubat <melkubat@att.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 11:41 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and 4334

We are vehemently against these bills. Too much leeway is given to interpretation. Local governments should make these decisions, not the Michigan or Federal government. We are a country composed of immigrants from all over the world which can make a better country, not these unknown type of constraints.

Thank you, Melba Crouch-Kubat Dennis Kubat

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:

Kaitlyn Perry <kaitlyn.r.perry@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 12:12 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Testimony to Oppose HB 4105 and HB 4334

Hello Ms. Lake,

l am writing today to respectfully ask that the Local Government Committee oppose HB 4105 and HB4334 in this week Wednesday's Local Government Committee meeting. This legislation will prohibit local municipalities from adopting "Welcoming City" policies designed to promote positive relationships between law enforcement and the community. This legislation is discriminatory, unnecessary, and promotes fear among tax-paying community members and their families. Additionally, this legislation runs counter to our basic values of equality and fairness.

Again, I encourage the committee to oppose HB 4105 and HB 4334, which do not reflect the values of the Michigan communities they represent.

Please include my opposition as testimony in the public record.

Respectfully,

Kaitlyn Daza

"Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your teeming shore.
Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

The New Colossus, engraved on the Statue of Liberty

From: Thomas Thornburg <thomas.k.thornburg@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 12:04 PM

To: Angie Lake

Cc: Rep. Kim LaSata (District 79)

Subject: HB4105 and HB4334

Please include these comments in the record of the Local Government committee hearing on these bills.

Recently, the City of St. Joseph Director of Public Safety noted that domestic abuse is a daily law enforcement challenge his office faces and, in his experience, immigrant victims of domestic abuse are already extremely hesitant to access local police protection due to their fear of the involvement of federal immigration authorities [ICE] in local law enforcement activities. HB4105 and HB4334 would impose new, unfunded mandates on local law enforcement agencies throughout Michigan to affirmatively report to ICE individuals believed to be "not legally present in the US." Such a requirement does not presently exist under federal law. If the trust between immigrants and local law enforcement officials is eroded further by adoption of policies mandating affirmative reporting to ICE, the goals of "community policing" will be seriously undermined, as well as the safety and security of our local community.

Beyond this fundamental flaw in the unwelcoming approach taken by these bills, the legislation as proposed would encourage frivolous lawsuits against local government agencies (and individual officers) that could establish civil liability against local police for failing to uphold vague "cooperation" and "communication" requirements insisted upon by ICE and/or other federal government agencies.

Local police authorities, such as those in St. Joseph and Benton Harbor, are already over-taxed dealing with current crime prevention, arrests and investigation responsibilities. Adding the significant additional administrative burdens that would be imposed by HB4105 and HB4334 - not to mention defending against new complaints and lawsuits that are encouraged by the "private attorneys general" provision -- causes grave concerns about the scope and impact of this proposed legislation on the resources and priorities of their departments.

As a citizen concerned with the over-zealous and hostile enforcement priorities of the current federal administration on the stability and well-being of hard-working immigrant families upon which Michigan's economy depends, I ask our legislators to consider the real-life consequences of adopting these narrow-sighted and mean-spirited policies at the state level. One wonders if "local control" is only valued in Michigan whenever it suits the whims of state policy makers.

Thanks for considering my views!

Tom Thornburg Saint Joseph

From:

Robert Burgess < roblloyd.burgess@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:05 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Opposition to HB 4015 and HB 4334

Dear Ms. Lake:

The purpose of this e-mail is to provide written testimony to the House Local Government Committee meeting scheduled on June 7 to discuss HB 4015 and HB 4334, the anti-sanctuary city and county bills.

I oppose these bills as they are now drafted primarily because I believe that they would make Michigan less safe by mandating that local governments report to federal immigration those individuals who with "probable cause" are undocumented. In addition, local governments would then have to annually submit reports on how many such reports they had made in the past year.

The former may prevent undocumented residents from reporting crimes, such as domestic abuse or other violent crimes, if they feared deportation by reporting same. This would make Michigan and its residents less not more safe. The latter sounds like a quota system ripe for racial profiling of residents of Latino or Asian heritage who make up the vast majority of undocumented residents.

I am a U.S. Navy Vietnam-era veteran and resident of the Michigan 79th House District and oppose these two bills primarily for the mandatory police reporting and annual statistical reporting requirements of the bills for the reasons mentioned above.

Thank-you for your time and consideration.

Robert Burgess Stevensville, Berrien County, Michigan

From:

Chris Fike <dcfike@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 3:25 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Opposition to HB 4105 and 4334 (Anti-Welcoming City Bills)

Ms. Lake,

I recently contacted Representative Elder to note my opposition to the Anti-Welcoming City Bills (HB 4105 and 4334), and was encouraged to contact you to register my opposition with the Local Government Committee.

Therefore I ask you to register my opposition to House Bills 4105 and 4334, which will effectively strips local governments and law enforcement of their ability to determine and enforce policies and practices that are most effective for ensure the public safety of their entire community.

We are all safer when all members of our community can come to police to report a crime, regardless of immigration status. This legislation would prevent those in need from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported.

Without welcoming city policies, local law enforcement may be pressured to unconstitutionally detain people who will be fully within their rights to take legal action against the department.

This legislation goes beyond the federal law and if signed, these bills will force municipalities to choose between implementing policies that best service their community or facing court action.

Our state government should be seeking ways to encourage trust between law enforcement and the communities they serve. Please do not pass legislation that disrupts the relationship between police and the communities they serve. Doing so will only make us less safe.

Chris Fike

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

From:

Victoria Booker <vkbooker@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 3:33 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

opposition to HB4105

Dear Ms.Lake,

I'm writing in opposition to HB 4105 or the "Sanctuary City Prohibition Act" introduced by Rep. Pamela Hornberger's (District 32). This bill will prohibit local municipalities from passing "welcoming cities" policies, allow police to legally profile those they believe to be in the country "illegally", and sanction cities that do not comply by eliminating revenue sharing.

Everyone's rights, including U.S. citizens, would be harmed by this legislation. This legislation invites police to treat people differently based on a police officer's ideas about whether someone is "foreign." We all have the right to equal policing -- regardless of an accent, a style of dress, our complexion, or the neighborhood we live in. And local governments shouldn't have to choose between meeting their budgets and upholding people's Constitutional rights.

This legislation would dismantle policies that have established trust between police and the community. We are all safer when all members of our community can come to police to report a crime, regardless of immigration status. This legislation would prevent victims or witnesses of a crime from talking to police for fear of being detained or deported. Police can't do their jobs if people fear talking to them.

This legislation will cost our state money. This legislation invites lawsuits, which would cost local governments tens of thousands of dollars for each lawsuit, waste their time, and wind them up in court. Jails will be forced to hold more people, and for longer periods of time, without reimbursement.

Congress cannot enforce its way out of our broken immigration system, and the "Sanctuary City Prohibition Act" is certainly not the solution. This short-sighted policy would rip apart millions of families who greatly bless our communities and nation. What we need is immigration reform that would place undocumented immigrants on a workable and earned path to citizenship, thereby allowing them to contribute even more to our communities, economy, and country.

My community welcomes immigrants and I write to you in honor of my mother, an immigrant Chile and all of my immigrant friends, family and colleagues.

Regards, Victoria Booker 3412 Ashburnam Rd Ann Arbor, MI 48105

From:

Nap <npetteway@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 3:51 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Opposition to Bills

I want to register my opposition to the Anti-Welcoming City Bills HB 4105 and 4334.

M. Snyder

Sent

From:

tphoenixsmr <tphoenixsmr@riseup.net>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 7:40 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Cc:

Rep. Jeremy Moss (District 35)

Subject:

Testify at the Local Government Committee on June 7th

I would like the opportunity to speak at the local government committee meeting for 5 minutes in opposition to HB 4105 and 4334 on June 7th. I work in a technical area for an automotive OEM. I think I can bring a perspective to the debate that should be considered regarding quality of life for the highly qualified immigrants that the automotive industry needs to attract. I am a constituent of Jeremy Moss.

Thank You for the consideration

Scott Reilly PO Box 3592 Southfield Michigan 48037 248 760 0804

From:

Pam Carter < carterpam718@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 5:41 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105

Please provide a copy of this to each House Government Committee Member

sanctutary city

June 5, 2017

RE: HB 4105 and 4334

To: Members of House Local Government Committee In the care of the committee clerk: Angie Lake

Please provide a written copy of this letter to each committee member.

I am respectfully submitting this written testimony in letter form because I am unable to attend in person. I am writing concerning HB 4105 and 4334. I am deeply disappointed that our legislature has introduced these bills. This is not representative of the state that I grew up in. I feel strongly that communities should be able to set policy according to what their community sees as appropriate. I think that this legislation undermines trust between community and police, I believe that the police also are too busy dealing with real criminals to address something that is simply not their job. This legislation, if passed, could make people who need the help of the police afraid to call for help. I believe that crime rates are lower in counties that are considered "sanctuary cities.".

Personally, I have had many interactions with our immigrant community. I grew up in Pontiac, I raised my children there. Our neighborhood was very diverse. My daughter played daily with a little girl who spoke no English. I teach Head Start and many of my families are also immigrants. In my work, I do not know who is documented or who is not. I just know that they contribute to our local economy and to our community. For the few families that I do know that would be personally impacted, it would be a great loss. I am most fearful for the children that are born here in the United States, that are citizens, who may lose a parent or both. What future problems are we creating for ourselves when we do not consider our own children and the social, financial and emotional impact this could have on them and how that will reflect on us. I do not believe that the way our presidential administration has chosen to handle immigration is the real solution to the problem of undocumented persons living here. I would be so disappointed if our legislature that was elected to represent Michigan residents followed that course.

Sincerely, Pamela A. Carter 7380 Woodview St. Apt. 4 Westland MI 48185 7346202471 pacarter.68@hotmail.com

From:

Andy Helmboldt <helmboldt4bc@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 12:17 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Fwd: Opposition to HB4105 and HB4334

Hello Clerk Lake,

Could you please see that the email below is also submitted as official written testimony for the committee, with printed copies provided to each member?

Thank you, Andy Helmboldt City Commissioner, At-Large Battle Creek, MI

269-660-9659

Begin forwarded message:

From: Andy Helmboldt < helmboldt4bc@gmail.com > Subject: Opposition to HB4105 and HB4334

Date: June 5, 2017 at 12:14:57 PM EDT

To: jameslower@house.mi.gov, kathycrawford@house.mi.gov,

jimrunestad@house.mi.gov, garyhowell@house.mi.gov, juliealexander@house.mi.gov, benfrederick@house.mi.gov, rogerhauck@house.mi.gov, patrickgreen@house.mi.gov, jeremymoss@house.mi.gov, jimellison@house.mi.gov, terrysabo@house.mi.gov

Cc: sminnick@mml.org, chackbarth@mml.org

Dear House Committee on Local Government,

I am writing today to voice my opposition to HB4105 and HB4334. These bills are not in the best interest of our local communities.

First, I believe the people I represent in Battle Creek would prefer as much local control of our police force as possible. These bills would place undue influence on our police by people not in our community and further burden an already overburdened staff with additional reporting and compliance duties.

Second, these bills would make our city unnecessarily vulnerable to lawsuits, which would divert staff time and resources away from the core functions of running our city.

To repeat: These bills are not good for the community I represent, and I urge you to oppose them.

Thank you, Andy Helmboldt City Commissioner, At-Large Battle Creek

269-660-9659 helmboldt4bc@gmail.com

303 Sherman Rd. Battle Creek, MI 49017

From:

McConnell-Martin, Maureen <maureen.mcconnell-martin@experis.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 5, 2017 11:19 AM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 or 4334

Dear Ms. Lake.

I am writing to express opposition to HB 4105 and 4334. Welcoming policies have a positive impact on our communities and the economy. HB 4105 and 4334 are based on inaccurate, incomplete and discriminatory beliefs about immigrants. I live in the Kalamazoo area and have seen the beneficial impact immigrants have on our local culture and economy. In addition, crime rates are lower in counties with "sanctuary city" policies compared to those without. HB 4105 and HB 4334 jeopardize public safety because immigrant community members will be more afraid to come to police to report a crime such as domestic violence. People in need may be afraid to go to the police for help for fear of being detained or deported. This vastly undermines community-police trust. Local law enforcement agencies have real crime issues to tackle in our communities with limited resources. These bills would put a bigger burden on police when they already do not have the resources they need.

Lastly, these bills fly in the face of local control. Local governments should be able to adopt policies they see fit to welcome all members of the community. The bills will result in endless lawsuits against local governments and local government officials. In fact, the ACLU has filed lawsuits in every single state that has adopted bills like these, and is already preparing a litigation strategy to pursue in the event the Michigan legislature passes HB 4105 or 4334.

Let us put our legislative energy toward building up our localities rather than tearing them apart.

Maureen McConnell-Martin
maureen.mcconnell-martin@experis.com
3217 W B Ave
Plainwell, MI 49080

P.S. This communication is submitted with the intention of serving as written testimony for the committee. Please prepare printed copies for each committee member.

From:

Jeanne Miralrio <jdcmiralrio@gmail.com>

Sent:

Sunday, June 4, 2017 8:00 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

Anti-Sanctuary Bills

Please print and distribute this written testimony in oposition to House Bills 4105 and 4334 to the commmittee members. Thank you,

June 4, 2017

I am writing in opposition to House Bills 4105 and 4334. Most of my adult life has been enriched in countless ways by immigrants, I am a bilingual teacher with Battle Creek Public Schools, working primarily with immigrants or the children of immigrants.

The anti-immigrant rhetoric in our media, and in our communities, is counterproductive and based on information that is blatantly untrue. In my experience immigrants bring lower crime rates and more economic growth to an area, statistically this has been shown to be true across our country. The children I work with often excel in school even though they must learn English to be able to succeed in their studies. Their families have crossed borders and adapted to a new language, new customs and communities to provide a safer, better future for their children. The families demonstrate initiative, family unity and a strong work ethic. These values are apparent in the children I serve.

House Bills 4105 and 4335 jeopardize everyone's safety. They would make immigrants and especially undocumented immigrants perfect crime victims; unable to report crimes to law enforcement officials, as well as horrible witnesses when they are afraid to report crimes they may have experienced or witnessed. I want to live in a community where all residents can work without fear with law enforcement, not one where we undermine trust and communication between the police and community members.

For these reasons, I oppose House Bills 4105 and 4334, they are not good for our citizens, our residents or our communities. Welcoming policies have been shown to have a positive impact on our communities and our economy. Please do not allow this legislation to move forward.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Miralrio

2342 Beckley Road

Battle Creek, MI 49015

From:

Arthur Meissner <arthur.meissner@gmail.com>

Sent: Subject: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 3:55 PM

Re Anti-Sanctuary Bills in State House

I write to register my opposition to the Michigan State House approving any of the Anti-Sanctuary Bills currently being considered.

The bills would burden local police departments and sheriffs with undue regulations and paperwork. To fulfill them places a financial and administrative burden on already over-burdened local officials.

In addition, the bills would essentially make all local law-enforcement part of the State law enforcement, under a different name.

This would enhance State Control, but weaken local government.

Thank you for your attention.

Arthur Meissner Chelsea, Michigan 231-872-9957

From:

Nathan, Barry

bmnathan@med.umich.edu>

Sent:

Wednesday, May 24, 2017 4:03 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Subject:

HB 4105 and HB 4334

Ms. Lake,

I am strongly opposed to these bills. They could create havoc and are mean spirited to boot. Please place my comments on the record.

Barry Nathan, MD 3005 Rumsey Drive Ann Arbor, MI 48105 bmnathan@umich.edu 734-662-2179

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From:

webinspider@aol.com

Sent:

Wednesday, May 24, 2017 4:35 PM

To:

Angie Lake

Cc:

webinspider@aol.com

To: Angie Lake, Local Government committee clerk

R.e.: HB 4105 and HB 4334

Dear Ms. Lake,

I am writing to express my dismay at these two bills. Local government is best positioned to discern what policing policies will keep its residents the safest. Immigration policies are federal policies and are funded at the federal level. Neither the state nor the federal government should be transferring enforcement responsibilities for immigration to local government.

I am appalled that our state representatives are even considering this and hope that our representatives will come to their senses and vote against these bills.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Holland 7754 Clark Lake Road Chelsea, MI 48118 (734)475-1487

From: Susie Kennedy <susielthomas@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:09 PM

To: Angie Lake

Subject: HB 4105 and HB 4334

Dear Ms. Lake,

Please put me on record as against HB 4105 and HB 4334. There is a significant undocumented population living in Michigan and contributing in federal taxes, social security, state, and local taxes. They also have spending power in Michigan. Bills such as these could push undocumented workers and their spending and tax dollars out of Michigan. Also, the bills would allow for endless litigation.

Thank you,

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Sent:

Thursday, May 25, 2017 4:42 AM

To: Subject: Angie Lake Sanctuary city

Please allow sanctuary cities in Michigan while we make plans to have workers here legally-thank you

Sent from my iPhone

maintain, and report information on immigrants to enforce President Trump's immigration oppose H.B. 4105 and 4334 because they would require local governments to collect, policies.

enforce federal laws. The Supreme Court has thrown out similar requirements in the past. In 1997, for example, in Printz vs. United States, the Court found that the U.S. couldn't require These requirements are unconstitutional. They attempt to commandeer local authorities to state officials to gather background information on prospective gun buyers.*

the federal government. To require local governments to do this and to punish them if they don't them to collect, maintain, and furnish previously unsolicited information on immigrant status for H.B. 4105 and 4334 would put Michigan local governments in a similar position by requiring by withholding federal revenue sharing funds is unconstitutional.

* "More on Federalism, the Constitution and Sanctuary Cities," Ilya Somin, The Washington https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/volokh-conspriacy/wp/2016/12/12 Post, December 12, 2016. Retrieved 6 June, 2017.